

REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance of the subject application are respectfully solicited.

Claims 30, 32 through 35, 37, 40, 41, and 44 are pending, with Claims 30, 35, and 44 being independent. Claims 30, 32 through 35, 37, 40, 41, and 44 have been amended. The Examiner's attention is respectfully directed, e.g., to Fig. 36, among other places.

Claims 30, 32 through 35, 37, 40, 41, and 44 again were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) over previously-cited US 2003/0200289 A1 (Kemp, et al.). All rejections are respectfully traversed.

Claims 30, 35, and 44 recite, *inter alia*, selecting one of a plurality of printers on which the printer information is acquired, determining an extended function program (being compatible with the selected printer) of a core printer driver, and displaying information indicating the extended function program and an instruction section on which a remote installation instruction can be activated.

However, Applicants respectfully submit that Kemp, et al. fails to disclose or suggest at least the above-discussed claimed combination of features as recited, *inter alia*, in Claims 30, 35, and 44. The Official Action cites to Kemp, et al.'s [0006] and [0030] as showing the claimed extended function program. Applicants respectfully traverse the foregoing, since these paragraphs, and the remainder of Kemp, et al., are silent as to such a feature as claimed.

Applicants further respectfully submit that there has been no showing of any indication of motivation in the cited documents that would lead one having ordinary skill in the art to arrive at such features. Applicants submit that by means of such features, the present invention may provide installation of an extended function program that extends a core printer driver, and since some of the extended function programs may depend on printer types, the present invention

therefore permits, for example, selection of one of a plurality of printers, determining an extended function program that is compliant with the selected printer, and displaying information indicating the extended function program determined to be compliant, thereby allowing the user to remotely install the proper extended function program. Of course, the claims are not limited to the foregoing or to the disclosed embodiments.

The dependent claims are also submitted to be patentable because they set forth additional aspects of the present invention and are dependent from independent claims discussed above. Therefore, separate and individual consideration of each dependent claim is respectfully requested.

Applicant submits that this application is in condition for allowance, and a Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below listed address.

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